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**Response to Notice to File  
Missing Parts of Application**

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**ATTN: Box Missing Parts**

Sir:

In response to the **Notice to File Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 In the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US)** dated June 27, 2001. Applicants submits the following documents for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

- ☒ Copy of the Notice to File Missing Requirements;
- ☒ Original Declaration, executed by the inventors; and
- ☒ Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier.

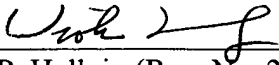
The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing docket number 03528.0131.PCUS00. If extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those otherwise provided for herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned, and any fees therefor are hereby authorized to be

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Respectfully submitted,

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